REMARKS

The applicants respectfully request entry of the present amendment, realizing that the entry is not a matter of right. Amendments filed on or after the date of filing a brief pursuant to 37 CFR 41.37 may be admitted to cancel claims, where such cancellation does not affect the scope of any other pending claim in the proceeding. The cancelation of claims 11-13 do not affect the scope of any other pending claim in the proceeding, as no other claims are dependent on claims 11-13. The applicants believe that the issues on appeal may be clarified upon the entry of the present amendment. Therefore the applicants respectfully request the entry of the present amendment canceling claims 11-13.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing comments and amendments, the Applicants respectfully request the entry of the present amendment canceling claims 11-13.

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